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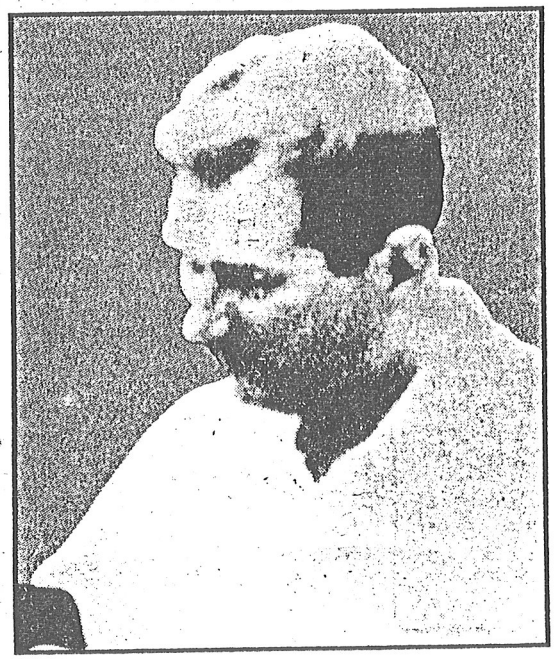
World Exclusive: *Revealed By Former CIA Agent*

This Is JFK's Real Killer



Russians And The CIA Were Behind Murder

...And He's Still At Large

— in the Washington headquarters of the Central Intelligence Agency.

That's where McDonald's story really begins. With the CIA in Washington on April 27, 1961, 10 days after the Bay of Pigs.

He was there on business to see his CIA boss Herman Kimsey, an agent intimately involved with the abortive Cuban invasion.

While he sat talking to Kimsey, a man entered the room. He was one of the few survivors of the Bay of Pigs. He was a contract assassin hired by the CIA to train anti-Castro Cubans and to help lead the attack.

He was "Saul." And he was purple with rage.

He blamed Kimsey for the misinformation given to his guerrilla troops. He blamed the CIA for the lack of "backup" at the invasion and for the slaughter which took place on the beaches.

McDonald remembers "Saul" like this:

"His voice was low-keyed and murderous, the accent elusive. Even in rage, he was in complete command of himself. His hands on Kimsey's desk were clenched, the knuckles white."

After "Saul" left the office, McDonald said to his superior, "Herman, I feel as if I'd been hit by a truck. Is he one of yours...?"

Kimsey replied: **"He's an assassin. Maybe one of the best there is. He works for a lot of people."**

The next time McDonald and Kimsey discussed "Saul" they were standing in Dealey Plaza, at the very spot where Kennedy was killed.

The year was 1964 and the relationship between the two policemen had changed. McDonald was in charge of protecting Sen. Barry Goldwater during his presidential campaign. Kimsey was his assistant.

Goldwater was scheduled to tour Dallas and his motorcade would pass right through Dealey Plaza.

The two men stood under the blazing Texas sun discussing the best ways of protecting the Senator. After a pause in the conversation, Herman Kimsey said, "The President was shot from the second floor of that building."

The building he then pointed to was not the School Book Depository where Oswald had been perched. It was the County Records Building, directly across the street.

"Herman, what the hell are you trying to tell me?" McDonald said.

"I'm telling you that Kennedy was shot from that building — and not by Lee Oswald!"

McDonald was stunned.

"You remember the man you met in my office right after the Bay of Pigs?" Kimsey continued.

"Do I remember! You're referring to that mean son of a ..... who told you off pretty good? The one you described as a top assassin?"

"Now listen," the CIA agent said, his voice firm but unsteady. **"That man shot and killed President John Kennedy from the second floor of that building. I have the whole story. He told it to me — and you damned well better believe it."**

Back at their hotel, Kimsey told McDonald the

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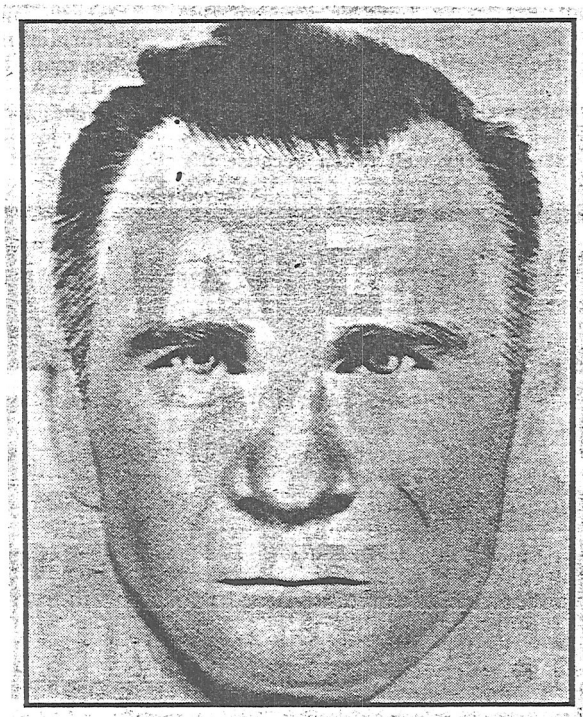

USING his own invention, the Identi-Kit, McDonald made this composite picture of Kennedy's killer.

CIA. I didn't trust them then and I still don't in this regard."

It's not the entire CIA, however, that McDonald believes has knowledge of, or participated in, the assassination.

Events which have transpired in the 11 years since Kimsey first told the story, and hearing it from "Saul" personally, have convinced him that **a renegade group within the agency working with the Russians are to blame for the murder of John F. Kennedy.**

McDonald explained it to MIDNIGHT this way:

"An organization as big as the Central Intelligence Agency has got to be infiltrated. I'm very sure the CIA will tell you this themselves if they're honest.

"I like to think that the NKVD (the Russian Secret Police) are infiltrated as well. As a matter of fact I know they are, by our own people. No question about that.

"So once a decision was made by the USSR to move in that direction, if they wanted to use CIA personnel, they were available to them.

"I come to this conclusion because I am an investigator and I always look for the outstanding motive. And it seems to me that **the outstanding motive here was the Soviet Union's hatred for JFK.**

"In the Cuban missile showdown, he's the only President we've ever had who really looked the Russians in the eye and said, 'To hell with you.'

"He said you run our blockade and we'll sink your ships. He stopped their ships, which is an act of war. He told them with no equivocation that those missiles were going and that he didn't give a damn what they did.

"The Russians suddenly realized that he meant it. Here was an American President who faced them, who understood them, and who told them to back down, and they had to. Khrushchev was destroyed by this.

"I think at this point the Soviet Union made the decision that Kennedy had to go. They assessed the possibility of his being beaten politically and they couldn't see any such possibility. And so they had to take other moves.

"Now once you grant that, they had many options open to them, including their infiltrated agents in the CIA.

"It's interesting to me that Oswald came out of Russia. I believe that 'Saul' was trained and came out of the Ukraine. And in the story that 'Saul' told me, he first came in contact with Oswald in the Russian Embassy in Mexico.

"There's a great deal of Russia in this thing."

In 1964, with America in the middle of a furious presidential campaign and McDonald right at the center of it, there was little he could do to validate the strange story he had heard in Dallas.

But he respected CIA special agent Herman Kimsey and he believed him.

Every day for years he would be haunted by the truth of President Kennedy's assassination. And every day in his mind's eye he would see that violent man who stormed into Herman Kimsey's Washington office.

Until finally, Hugh C. McDonald determined — that no matter what the cost, no matter what the danger — he would find Kennedy's assassin.

He gave him the name "Saul." And he began to track him down.

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NEXT WEEK IN MIDNIGHT:

The Trail that Led to "Saul"
The plot to kill Kennedy in the assassin's own words.

Secret CIA Agent Reveals Inside Story To MIDNIGHT

Former CIA contract agent Hugh C. McDonald tracked down the real killer of President John F. Kennedy.

Beginning with a tip from a special agent high in the Central Intelligence Agency, he chased the assassin through 10 countries, across 50,000 miles, at a personal expense of $30,000.

But it was worth it. He not only found his man, he heard a full confession to the most heinous crime in American history.

That story is now a book — "Appointment in Dallas: the final solution to the assassination of JFK" — published by Zebra Books, N.Y., written by McDonald and Geoffrey Bocca.

MIDNIGHT spent hours interviewing Hugh McDonald for this special report.

He is an espionage agent and a police officer of the highest order.

He is the inventor of the Identi-Kit used by law enforcement agencies around the world. He is the author of three standard police textbooks.

His exploits are legendary within the international intelligence community. His reputation as a policeman is beyond question.

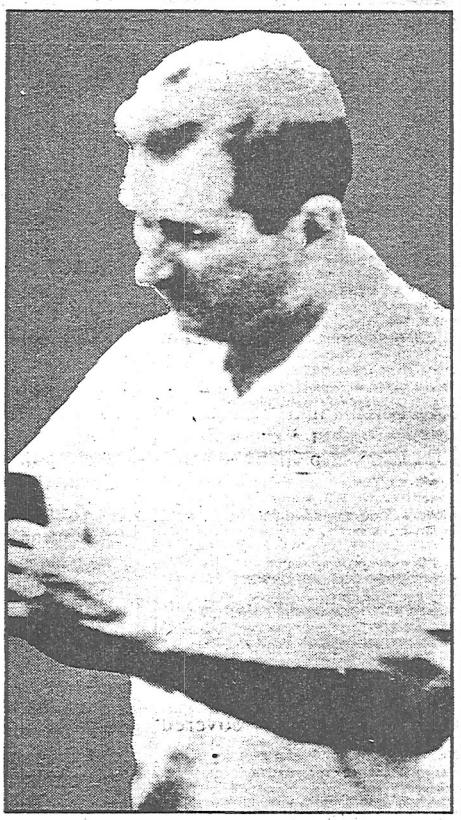
Above all, Hugh C. McDonald is an "establishment" man. For 40 years, he served America faithfully. He is not a man to speak out irresponsibly against this country's institutions.

If you believe in Hugh C. McDonald, you must believe this story:

President John F. Kennedy was murdered by a professional assassin with strong ties to both the Central Intelligence Agency and the Soviet Union.

And you must believe that the CIA and the FBI know all about it.

HUGH C. McDONALD, author of "Appointment in Dallas: the final solution to JFK's assassination."



'SAUL': Kennedy's killer. Picture taken by CIA agents.